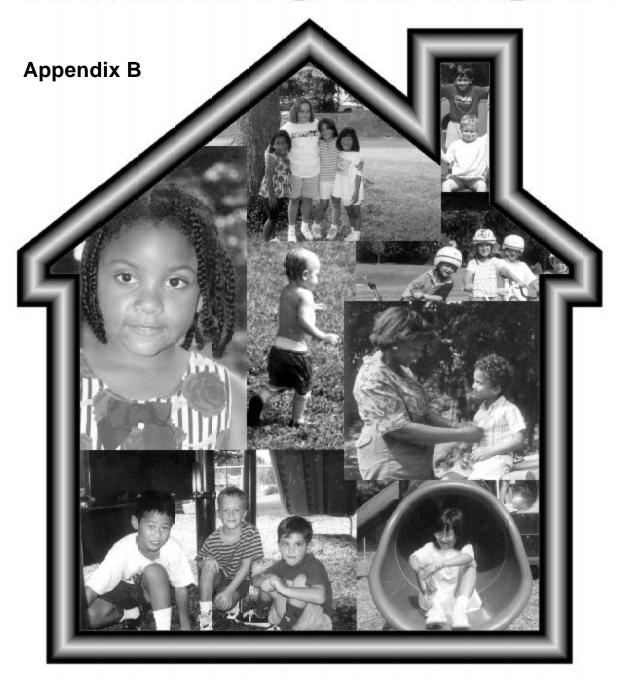
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Appendix B Resources

I. Local Community Resources

Prior to conducting a Home Safety Check:

- Compile a list of the most commonly used resources in the community and take it with you to the home visit. If a resource is needed, write it down or circle it and leave the list with the family.
- The resident may discuss other difficulties they may be having (i.e., a domestic violence situation.) It is not a Home Safety Checker's responsibility to solve all of the family's problems. Provide referrals to other agencies that may be able to help. *Limit help to referrals only*.
- Have a contact person at a local public health or social service department to call if you are unsure of what resources are available for a specific problem.
- Keep in mind, there are not always resources for every problem encountered.

Many communities or local governments already have resource directories published or on-line directory assistance in locating community resources. Check the blue pages of the telephone directory for such services. Compile local contact information from the following resources to use as referrals for families prior to conducting a Home Safety Check:

- protective services/child welfare/children and youth services
- domestic violence assistance/shelters
- crisis centers and hotlines
- housing department/code enforcement agencies
- social service agencies (private and public)
- community action centers or agencies
- health department
- parent support groups
- mental health services
- poison control centers

II. National Resources/Organizations

American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

ASTM is one of the largest developers of voluntary consensus standards systems in the world. ASTM is a non-profit organization that provides related technical information and services producers, users, ultimate consumers and those interested (representatives of government and academia) in developing standards for materials, products, systems and services. From the 132 standards-writing committees, ASTM publishes standard test methods, specifications, practices, guides, classifications and terminology. ASTM's standards development activities encompass metals, paints, plastics, textiles, petroleum, construction, energy, the environment, consumer products, medical services and devices, computerized systems, electronics and many other areas. (610) 832-9585

www.astm.org

Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning

The Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning is a national, public interest organization created to reduce childhood lead poisoning. The Alliance's three major areas of activity are: public education about the dangers of childhood lead poisoning; policy support and programs to help reduce lead hazards to children.

(202) 543-1147 www.aeclp.org

American Academy of Pediatrics

The American Academy of Pediatrics is an organization of 55,000 primary care pediatricians, pediatric medical subspecialists, and pediatric surgical specialists dedicated to the health, safety and well being of children.

(800) 433-9016

www.aap.org

American Burn Association

The American Burn Association is an international organization focused on burn and injury prevention. Members include firefighters, burn treatment specialists and other health care professionals.

(800) 548-2876

www.ameriburn.org

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is a volunteer organization known primarily for providing relief to victims of disasters. The American Red Cross also helps people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. For more than 80 years, the American Red Cross has trained tens of millions of people of all ages in first aid and CPR.

(703) 207-7090

www.redcross.org

Building Department or Code Enforcement Department

The fire department and the local municipal building department work closely to ensure fire safety in buildings. The building department is most closely involved when the building is being constructed and when major remodeling that requires a building permit takes place. The department is also responsible for notifying the fire department when new buildings (other than homes) are certified ready for tenants. The building and fire departments ensure that fire-related codes are enforced. If a fire code violation is suspected, depending on the municipal services, either the career fire department or the local building code official should be alerted.

Building Officials and Code Administrators, International, Inc.

BOCA is the nation's original professional organization of code enforcement officials and publishers of the BOCA National Code Series of model construction codes. The BOCA code includes the National Building and Fire Prevention Codes. Most jurisdictions adopt model codes through ordinances. These codes may be adopted in part or in whole, as the local jurisdiction wishes and finds politically acceptable. The adoption of the fire prevention code usually designates the fire chief as the primary enforcement authority. The fire chief then delegates that authority to fire marshals and inspectors.

When a certificate of occupancy is issued on a new structure, that building must comply with all of the provisions of the jurisdictions' building and fire codes. After initial approval and for the life of the building, the code provides a mechanism for the periodic inspection and code enforcement process of the existing building.

Burn Prevention Foundation

The Burn Prevention Foundation is committed to promoting safety by teaching the public how to recognize and avoid fire hazards and other burn risks. The Foundation offers numerous educational programs and seminars, as well as a wide variety of educational materials, audio-visual presentations and displays. (610) 481-9810

www.burnprevention.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

The CDC, an agency of the Department of Health and Human Services, works to promote health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury and disability. The National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, a division of the CDC, works to reduce morbidity, mortality, disability and costs associated with injuries. This organization produces publications and information related to health and family safety. The Center also serves as a clearinghouse for lead poisoning information, providing grant funding for childhood lead poisoning prevention programs and related research in this area. (703) 488-7330

www.cdc.gov -or- www.cdc.gov/nceh/programs/lead/lead

Children's Safety Network (CSN)

The CSN National Injury and Violence Prevention Resource Center is located at the Education Development Center, Inc. It provides resources and technical assistance to maternal and child health agencies and other organizations seeking to reduce unintentional injuries and violence to children and adolescents. It is one of four Children's Safety Network Resource Centers funded by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau of the US Department of Health and Human Services.

(617) 969-7101

www.edc.org/hhd/csn

Coalition for Consumer Health & Safety

The Coalition is a partnership of consumer, health and insurance groups working together to promote safety.

(202) 387-6121

www.healthandsafety.org

Enterprise Foundation

The Enterprise Foundation is a national, nonprofit housing and community development organization. The Foundation works with more than 1,100 community-based organizations in more than 400 locations to improve America's low-income communities.

(410) 964-1230

www.enterprisefoundation.org

Fire Prevention or Inspection Bureau

Depending on the size and resources of a fire department or municipality, employees are usually fire department members or a mix of fire department and civilian members are fire/building inspectors and assigned to the fire prevention bureau. The Fire Prevention or Inspection Bureau inspects occupancies and enforces fire prevention codes and ordinances. Once the bureau identifies hazards, it works with property owners to eliminate them.

I'm Safe! Network

An internet resource about child safety which has a bookstore, the latest recalled children's products (updated daily), child safety tips, newsletter and activities.

www.imsafe.com

Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association (JPMA)

The Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association has a certification program that has been guiding parents for more than 20 years. A JMPA Certification Seal on any product or its package assures that the manufacturer designed and built it with safety in mind and ensures that the product was built to the very highest standards.

The Certification Program currently includes high chairs, play yards, walkers, carriages and strollers, gates and enclosures, full-size cribs and portable hook-on chairs. JPMA is currently working on adding toddler beds, bath seats, bedding products, stationary activity centers, non-full-size cribs, infant carriers and infant swings to the program.

The American Society of Testing and Materials (see ASTM under resources) publishes the voluntary standards used in the JMPA Certification Program. Industry members work together with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, consumer groups and other interested parties to develop the standards.

Lowe's Home Safety Council

Lowe's Home Safety Council channels funds into a variety of charitable and educational projects. Members of the council include national safety-related organizations, manufacturers and notable donors. The Lowe's Home Safety Council works closely with local fire departments, school systems and other community organizations.

(800) SAFE-HOME www.lowes.com

National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health

The National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse is funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, a branch of the US Department of Health and Human Services. The National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Resource Center is a part of the clearinghouse. It produces and disseminates educational materials on SIDS to public health and emergency medical practitioners and legal professionals, as well as to parents and families.

(703) 524-7802 www.ncemch.org

National Fire Protection Association

The NFPA is a non-profit organization that creates scientifically-based consensus fire codes and standards. The NFPA also conducts research, develops educational materials about fire safety and produces the Fire Prevention and Life Safety Code.

(617) 984-7285 www.nfpa.org

National Lead Information Center (NLIC)

The National Lead Information Center provides information to the general public about lead hazards and prevention practices.

(800) 424-LEAD

www.epa.gov/lead/nlic

National Program for Playground Safety

The National Program for Playground Safety serves as a national clearinghouse for playground safety information.

(800) 554-PLAY

www.uni.edu/playground

National Safety Council

The National Safety Council has home and community-based programs that provide information on health and safety.

(202) 293-2270

www.nsc.org

National SAFE KIDS Campaign

The National SAFE KIDS Campaign is the first and only national organization dedicated solely to the prevention of unintentional childhood injury – the number one killer of children ages 14 and under. More than 270 State and Local SAFE KIDS Coalitions in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico comprise the Campaign.

(202) 662-0600

www.safekids.org

National Swimming Pool Foundation (NSPF)

The National Swimming Pool Foundation (NSPF) is a non-profit foundation that provides research and education to enhance aquatic safety.

(516) 623-3447

www.nspf.com

National Spa and Pool Institute

The National Spa and Pool Institute promotes the safe use and enjoyment of pools, spas and hot tubs. Members product information, education, technical training and certification, and standards for safe design, construction and installation.

(703) 838-0083 or (800) 323-3996

www.nspi.org

Office of Lead Hazard Control

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Lead Hazard Control provides millions of dollars in grants to local and state government agencies for lead hazard control activities. The office has also funded critically important research to determine the effectiveness of lead hazard control strategies and is responsible for writing the regulations regarding lead safety for all federally assisted housing.

(202) 755-1805 or (202) 755-1785

www.hud.gov/lea/leahome.html

Office of the State Fire Marshal

The Office of the State Fire Marshall enforces state fire laws. Specific responsibilities vary by state, but in general, include reviewing and approving fire safety plans; investigating fires and fire-related deaths; and regulating storage and use of explosives and other hazardous materials.

Radon Hotline

The National Radon Hotline, which promotes radon awareness, is part of the National Safety Council's Environmental Health Center. People calling the Hotline receive information on radon and a coupon for a low-cost radon test kit. Callers are also referred to an Environmental Health Center public information specialist for answers to specific questions.

(800) SOS-RADON (Hotline) (800)55-RADON (Helpline)

(202) 293-2270 (EHC)

www.nsc.org/ehc/indoor/radon/

Underwriters Laboratories Inc.

Underwriters Laboratories Inc. is an independent, non-profit product safety testing and certification organization.

(847) 272-8800

www.ul.com

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

The CPSC is an independent federal regulatory agency with jurisdiction over more than 15,000 types of consumer products, from automatic-drip coffee makers to toys and lawn mowers. The CPSC works to reduce the risk of injury and death from consumer products by developing voluntary standards with industry. The CPSC is also responsible for issuing and enforcing mandatory standards; banning consumer products if no feasible standard would adequately protect the public; recalling products or arranging for their repair; conducting research on potential product hazards; informing and educating consumers through the media; and responding to consumer inquiries. The CPSC also coordinates the efforts of the National Poison Prevention Council (301-504-0580).

English/Spanish: (800) 638-2772

www.cpsc.gov

Window Covering Safety Council

Under the auspices of the National Safety Council, the Window Covering Safety Council focuses on educating parents and youth about window safety. Partners include the Screen Manufacturers Association, the National Wood Window and Door Association and the American Architectural Manufacturers Association.

(800) 621-7615

III. Safety Devices

All safety devices referenced in this manual can be purchased at major retail or hardware stores. Items may also be purchased through by mail order catalogs or on the Internet. Following is a list of resources for purchasing safety devices:

The Baby Center Store

store.babycenter.com

Baby Cyberstore

www.babycyberstore.com

Children's Safety Care

301-977-8334 www.safetycare.com

Child Safety 800-841-5903

Cribs2Go Inc.

888-554-BABY cribs2go.com

Evenflo Company, Inc.

800-768-6077 www.evenflo.com

Gates For Tots, Inc.

800-318-3380

Great Beginnings Baby and Youth Furniture and Accessories

(301) 417-9702 or (800) 886-9077

www.childrensfurniture.com

Kidco Company, Inc.

800-553-5529

www.kidcoinc.com

Safe and Sound Kids

888 252-BABY(2229)

www.safensoundkids.com

Safe Beginnings

800-598-8911

Tots in Mind

800-626-0339

www.totsinmind.com

USA BABY

(stores nationwide)

www.usababy.com